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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 October 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

Applicant's arguments on 10/30/06. Claims 1-16 remain for examination.

Specification

Applicant is reminded of the proper language and format for an abstract of the disclosure.

The abstract is objected because it contains legal phraseology often used in patent claims, such as "means" and "said," should be avoided (see Applicants's abstract, for example, line 10, respectively).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation

under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Paul (US Patent 7,051,080 B1) in view of Sualpaugh et al (US Patent 7,010,573 B1).

As per claim 1, Paul discloses a method of presenting data from an application executing at a computing device at a remote wireless device, comprising:

receiving at said wireless device, a representation of a text file defining (as XML document, col. 28, lines 33-40):

a format of a user interface for the application at said wireless device (col. 6, lines 53-67, col. 7, lines 1-10);

a format for storing data related to said application at said wireless device (col. 10, lines 10-35);

receiving data from said application in accordance with said format of network transactions, and presenting said data at said wireless device using said user interface (col. 2, lines 43-64, col. 8, lines 43-62).

Paul does not explicitly teach a representation of a text file defining: a format of network messages for exchange of data generated by said application. However, Saulpaugh discloses a representation of a text file defining: a format of network messages for exchange of data generated by said application (as message gate, col.

21, lines 40-67). Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill on the art at the time invention was made to combine the teachings of the cited references to provide a representation of a text file defining a format of network messages for exchange of data as disclosed by Saulpagh because it would enable the mobile device capable of communicating among network clients and services.

As per claim 2, Paul teaches wherein said text file is received at said device and wherein said text file is an XML file (col. 28, lines 32-40).

As per claim 3, Paul teaches wherein said text file is parsed, and a representation of said text file is stored at said device (col. 9, lines 33-35, col. 10, lines 10-35).

As per claim 4, Paul teaches storing data generated by said application at said wireless device using said format for storing data (col. 10, lines 10-35).

As per claim 5, Paul teaches the text file defines screens, events arising in response to interaction with said screens, and actions for processing said events (col. 2, lines 38-62).

As per claim 6, Saulpaugh teaches wherein said format of network messages comprises XML definitions for said network messages, and wherein data for said application are dispatched from said mobile device using said XML definitions ((col. 14, lines 20-40).

As per claim 7, Paul discloses a wireless mobile device (Fig. 1, # 101) comprising

a processor, computer readable memory in communication with said processor, storing virtual machine software controlling operation of said device (Fig. 1, # 110) said virtual machine software comprising:

a parser for receiving a text file (Fig. 1, # 112, col. 9, lines 32-35);

a screen generation engine, for presenting at least one screen at said device in accordance with said text file (col. 6, lines 63-67, col. 7, lines 1-10);

an event handler for processing events arising in response to interaction with said at least one screen in accordance with said text file (col. 6, lines 41-60).

Paul does not explicitly teach object classes corresponding to actions to be taken by said in response to interaction with said at least one screen, object classes corresponding to a data table for storing data at said wireless mobile device an object class corresponding to a network message to be received or transmitted by said wireless mobile device (as message gate code, col. 21, lines 40-67). However, Saulpaugh discloses object classes (as java code) corresponding to actions to be taken by said in response to interaction with said at least one screen, object classes corresponding to a data table for storing data at said wireless mobile device an object class corresponding to a network message to be received or transmitted by said wireless mobile device (as message gate code, col. 21, lines 40-67). Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill on the art at the time invention was made to combine the teachings of the cited references to provide a representation of a text file defining a format of network messages for exchange of data as disclosed by Saulpaugh

because it would enable the mobile device capable of communicating among network clients and services.

As per claim 8, Paul teaches wherein said memory further stores a representation of said text file (col. 11, lines 52-65).

As per claim 9, Paul teaches wherein said representation of said text file is created by said parser (col. 8, lines 23-35).

As per claim 10, Paul teaches wherein said parser comprises an XML parser (col. 9, lines 33-35).

As per claim 11, Paul teaches wherein said object classes corresponding to action to be taken comprise object classes that present screen elements at said device (col. 2, lines 60-64, col. 11, lines 12-48).

As per claim 12, Paul teaches object classes enabling exchange of data between said wireless device and a computing device over a network, wherein said data is formatted in accordance with definitions within said text file (col. 14, lines 20-40).

Claim 13 is rejected by the same rationale as state in independent claim 1 arguments.

Claims 14-16 have similar limitations as claims 2-6; therefore, they are rejected under the same subject matter.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments on 10/30/06 have been considered and found persuasive, thus Applicant's arguments, see remarks page 5, third paragraph filed 10/30/06, have

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been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of the above detailed rejection.

Conclusion


The prior art made of record, listed on form PTO-892, and not relied upon, if any, is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DEBBIE M. LE whose telephone number is (571) 272-4111. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tim Vo can be reached on (571) 272-3642. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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